

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service. I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

You will recall that WorldCom cooked up the largest fraud in US history, putting me out of work, and destroying the entire value of my MCI retirement account. I can not afford to pay for any more expenses.

The USF is a flawed concept to begin with, and I am tired of bearing the brunt for these silly notions. My home bill is already too high, and I am not in a mood to pay more for a cell phone that I only carry for emergencies.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is another scheme that reeks of socialism. Like many of your other schemes.

You preach fair market and free enterprise, yet always seem to target the average taxpayer.

And yes, I am tired of paying to have the Internet in every classroom in America. I think that it should be ripped out of the classroom, and placed in the library, where it belongs. It is a research tool. A very slow and usually useless one at that. It should not be used to make learning "fun!"

As we say down here in Texas:

"I don't want to have to 'splain this again."

Sincerely,

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